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Robin Norton
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Re: Teleconnect Transfer of Customer Base to MCI; Rule Waiver Request

Dear Ms. Norton:

On September 22, 2014, MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services (MCI) filed a Transfer of Customer Base Report with the Commission and requested that the Commission waive New Hampshire Code of Admin. Rules Puc 405.03(a)(2), which requires that the effective date of such a transfer be at least 30 days after the filing. MCI had notified the affected customers, currently serviced by Teleconnect Long Distance Services and Systems Co., of the transfer on August 1, 2014. MCI and Teleconnect are both affiliates of Verizon Communications, Inc. and the customer transfer is proposed as part of an internal reorganization.

Staff has reviewed the customer notification, transfer of customer base filing, and waiver rule request and filed a recommendation with the Commission. Staff concluded that a waiver would serve the public interest and facilitate the orderly and efficient implementation of the customer transfer, and Staff recommended that the Commission grant the requested rule waiver.

The Commission has accepted Staff's assessment and approved its recommendation. Accordingly, pursuant to Puc 201.05, the Commission has waived the 30-day prior filing requirement of Puc 405.03(a)(2), thereby permitting the transfer of customers to MCI to take effect on or after October 10, 2014.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director